

In the Claims

1.-7. (Cancelled)

8. (Previously Presented) An assembly of a guide bend and a modular conveyor chain, said guide bend including a segment comprising a profile from plastic material with a substantially flat upper side extending along an axis proceeding in a curved manner, with a guide face in which at least one guide is formed for guiding the modules of a modular conveyor chain, in which profile, adjacent the guide, magnets are included for pulling body parts of successive modules of the chain to be guided against the upper side through cooperation with hinge pins of the modular conveyor chain, wherein the at least one guide comprises two grooves proceeding in the longitudinal direction of the profile, so that, adjacent the guide face at the location of the guide, the profile has a substantially E-shaped cross section with a central projection located between the grooves and legs located outside the grooves on an inside bend side and an outside bend side of the projection, respectively, and that in the legs, magnets are included, and

said modular conveyor chain comprising a series of successive modules from plastic material which are hingedly coupled with the aid of hinge pins from magnetizable material, and of which modules each is provided with a sheet-shaped body part with a conveying face located at an upper side of the body part, with hinge holes included in the sheet of the body part between upper and under side and with two projections provided at an underside of the body part, wherein sliding faces located at sides facing each other of the projections together with a sliding face located between the projections at the

underside of the body part, form a longitudinal guide with substantially U-shaped cross-section, and wherein the projections are provided at a distance from the sides of the body part, and wherein adjacent the projections, at the underside of the body part, sliding surfaces are located which, with sliding faces located on sides facing away from each other of the projections, each form a longitudinal guide with substantially L-shaped cross-section, and wherein the hinge pins extend substantially over the width of the modules.

9. (Original) An assembly according to claim 8, wherein the sliding surfaces at the sides facing each other of the projections extend substantially transversely to the underside of the body part

10. (Previously Presented) An assembly according to claim 8, wherein the sliding surfaces at the sides facing each other of the projections converge away from the body part.

11. (Previously Presented) An assembly according to claim 8, wherein on the sides facing each other of the projections, the modules of the conveyor chain are provided with insert pieces forming the sliding faces.

12.-18. (Cancelled)

19. (Currently Amended) An assembly comprising:

a guide bend and a modular conveyor chain, the guide bend comprising a profile from plastic material with a substantially flat upper side extending along an axis proceeding in a curved manner, with a guide face in which at least one guide is formed for guiding the modules of a modular conveyor chain, in which profile, adjacent the guide, magnets are included for pulling body parts of successive modules of the chain to be guided against the upper side through cooperation with hinge pins of the modular conveyor chain, wherein each guide comprises two grooves proceeding in the longitudinal direction of the profile, so that, adjacent the guide face at the location of the guide, the profile has a substantially E-shaped cross section with a central projection located between the grooves and legs located outside the grooves on an inside bend side and an outside bend side of the projection, respectively, and that in the legs, magnets are included, the modular conveyor chain comprising a series of successive modules from plastic material which are hingedly coupled with the aid of hinge pins from magnetizable material, at least some of the modules of the conveyor chain including two projections having sliding faces facing each other of the projections, said projections being arranged to cooperate with the two grooves of the guide bend.

20. (Previously Presented) The assembly according to claim 19, wherein the magnets reach adjacent the guide face.

21. (Previously Presented) The assembly according to claim 19, wherein the magnets are connected by means of a closing plate

22. (Previously Presented) The assembly according to claim 19, wherein the magnets are detachably connected to the guide bend.

23. (Previously Presented) The assembly according to claim 19, wherein the profile is composed of several profile parts.

24. (Previously Presented) The assembly according to claim 19, wherein the guide bend is provided with a run-in and/or run-out part running straight.

25. (Previously Presented) The assembly according to claim 19, wherein, on an outside bend side, the central projection is provided with the at least one side face proceeding in an inwardly converging manner from the upper side of the profile towards the base.

26. (Previously Presented) The assembly according to claim 19, wherein, on an outside bend side, the central projection is provided with a side face proceeding in an inwardly converging manner from the upper side of the profile towards the base.

27. (Currently Amended) An assembly comprising:

a modular conveyor chain comprising a series of successive modules which are hingedly coupled;

a guide bend including a profile having a guide face extending along an axis proceeding in a curved manner for guiding modules of a modular conveyor chain, said guide face including at least one guide formed for guiding the modules of a modular conveyor chain, said at least one guide including two grooves proceeding in the longitudinal direction of the profile and defining a substantially E-shaped cross section with a central projection located between the grooves and legs located outside the grooves, said central projection including at least one side face engaging at least some of said modules of the chain to guide the modules along the axis proceeding in the curved manner; and

at least some of said modules of the conveyor chain including two projections having sliding faces facing each other of the projections, said projections being arranged to cooperate with the two grooves of the guide

at least one magnet fixed relative to the guide face; and

a modular conveyor chain comprising a series of successive modules which are hingedly coupled with the aid of magnetizable hinge pins, said at least one magnet pulling successive modules of the chain against the guide face through cooperation with the hinge pins of the chain.

28. (Previously Presented) The assembly according to claim 27,
wherein the series of successive modules are formed from a plastic.

29. (Cancelled)

30. (Currently Amended) The assembly according to claim ~~27~~36, wherein the at least one magnet is detachably connected to the guide bend.

31. (Previously Presented) The assembly according to claim 27, wherein the profile is composed of several profile parts.

32. (Previously Presented) The assembly according to claim 27, wherein the guide bend is provided with a run-in and/or run-out part running straight.

33. (Currently Amended) The assembly according to claim ~~27~~36, in which at least two magnets are fixed relative to said at least one guide, and said magnets are connected by means of a closing plate

34. (Cancelled)

35. (Currently amended) The assembly according to claim ~~34~~27 wherein, on an outside bend side, the central projection is provided with the at least one side face proceeding in an inwardly converging manner from the upper side of the profile towards the base.

36. (New) The assembly as in claim 27, including at least one magnet fixed relative to the guide face; and the successive modules are hingedly coupled with the aid of magnetizable hinge pins, said at least one magnet pulling successive modules of the chain against the guide face through cooperation with the hinge pins of the chain.

37. (New) The assembly as in claim 19, in which the sliding faces located at sides facing each other of the projections together with a sliding face located between the projections at the underside of the at least some of the modules, form a longitudinal guide with a substantially U-shaped cross-section.

38. (New) The assembly as in claim 27, in which the sliding faces located at sides facing each other of the projections together with a sliding face located between the projections at the underside of the at least some of the modules, form a longitudinal guide with a substantially U-shaped cross-section.